## ICT Applications in Library Services Unit 4 Smart Card-Meaning and Smart

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Card Reader





• <u>A smart card is a special type of card which</u> <u>contains an integrated circuit chip embedded on</u> <u>it. The IC chip can be a microprocessor with</u> <u>memory or just simple memory circuit.</u>



 In simple words, a smart card is the card with which we can exchange the data store it and multipulate data.



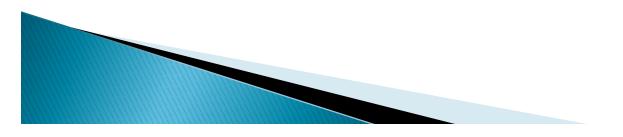
1968– German inventor Jurgen Dethloff along

with Helmet Grotrupp filed a patent for using

<u>plastic as a carrier for microchips.</u>

## Smart card Reader

- <u>A smart card reader is a device to which the</u> <u>smart card is connected either directly or</u> <u>indirectly using RF communication.</u>
- It interfaces with the PC or a microcontroller using USB port.
- *It can be a contact or contact less reader*



- Advantages of Smart Card
- Promptly reconfigured
- <u>Reusable</u>
- Secure transactions
- Advance security
- Permit many works from one card
- Technical support not required.
- Easy to use
- Life of a smart card is longer

